

Dear Mr. Lund,

I just wanted to express my opposition to Bill 632 to remove the Court of Claims from the Ingham County Circuit Court, where it has resided for 40 years, to the Michigan Court of Appeals. I fear that this legislation violates the separation of powers and our Constitutions and that it will adversely affect the independence of our judiciary. The Court of Appeals is not a trial court and allowing the Supreme Court to pick select judges to hear Court of Claims cases strikes me as being bad public policy. I only want my government to begin working to promote a healthy democracy that seeks justice and equity for the people rather than bipartisan interests or the benefits of special interest organizations.

I am told that clerks often have substantial influence.

Sincerely,

Will Christman